

Union Calendar No. 159

110TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1388

[Report No. 110–250]

To amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Star-Spangled Banner Trail in the States of Maryland and Virginia and the District of Columbia as a National Historic Trail.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 7, 2007

Mr. SARBANES (for himself, Mr. HOYER, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. WYNN, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia, and Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

JULY 23, 2007

Additional sponsor: Mr. CUMMINGS

JULY 23, 2007

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italic*]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on March 7, 2007]

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Star-Spangled Banner*
5 *National Historic Trail Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF TRAIL.**

7 *Section 5(a) of the National Trails System Act (16*
8 *U.S.C. 1244(a)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-*
9 *lowing:*

10 “(____) *STAR-SPANGLED BANNER NATIONAL HIS-*
11 *TORIC TRAIL.—*

12 “(A) *IN GENERAL.—The Star-Spangled*
13 *Banner National Historic Trail, a trail con-*
14 *sisting of water and overland routes totaling ap-*
15 *proximately 290 miles, extending from Tangier*
16 *Island, Virginia, through southern Maryland, the*
17 *District of Columbia, and northern Virginia, in*
18 *the Chesapeake Bay, Patuxent River, Potomac*
19 *River, and north to the Patapsco River, and*
20 *Baltimore, Maryland, commemorating the*
21 *Chesapeake Campaign of the War of 1812 (in-*
22 *cluding the British invasion of Washington, Dis-*
23 *trict of Columbia, and its associated feints, and*
24 *the Battle of Baltimore in summer 1814), as*
25 *generally depicted on the map titled ‘Star-Span-*

1 *gled Banner National Historic Trail’, numbered*
2 *T02/80,000, and dated June 2007.*

3 “(B) *MAP.*—*The map referred to in sub-*
4 *paragraph (A) shall be maintained on file and*
5 *available for public inspection in the appro-*
6 *priate offices of the National Park Service.*

7 “(C) *ADMINISTRATION.*—*Subject to sub-*
8 *paragraph (E)(ii), the trail shall be adminis-*
9 *tered by the Secretary of the Interior.*

10 “(D) *LAND ACQUISITION.*—*No land or in-*
11 *terest in land outside the exterior boundaries of*
12 *any federally administered area may be acquired*
13 *by the United States for the trail except with the*
14 *consent of the owner of the land or interest in*
15 *land.*

16 “(E) *PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.*—*The Sec-*
17 *retary of the Interior shall—*

18 “(i) *encourage communities, owners of*
19 *land along the trail, and volunteer trail*
20 *groups to participate in the planning, de-*
21 *velopment, and maintenance of the trail;*
22 *and*

23 “(ii) *consult with other affected land-*
24 *owners and Federal, State, and local agen-*
25 *cies in the administration of the trail.*

1 “(F) *INTERPRETATION AND ASSISTANCE.*—

2 *Subject to the availability of appropriations, the*
3 *Secretary of the Interior may provide, to State*
4 *and local governments and nonprofit organiza-*
5 *tions, interpretive programs and services and*
6 *technical assistance for use in—*

7 “(i) *carrying out preservation and de-*
8 *velopment of the trail; and*

9 “(ii) *providing education relating to*
10 *the War of 1812 along the trail.*”.

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